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Washington, D.C. 20231Response to Restriction RequirementThe present response replies to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 12, 2003.

That requirement required restriction with respect to two inventions categorized in groups as follows:

Group I. Claims 28-30 and 36-50, drawn to a flow interrupting U-valve, classified in class 422, subclass 103.

Group II. Claims 51-55, drawn to a bi-directional valve, classified in class 422, subclass 103.

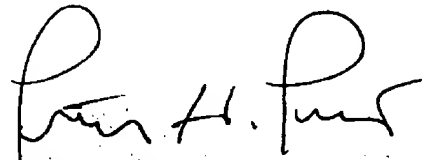
Applicants elect with traverse the Group I claims 28-30 and 36-50.

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Please cancel claims 51-55 without prejudice to the presentation of these claims by way  
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